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DRAFTED BY NEA/RA:DTMORRISON:JM

APPROVED BY EB/OT/GCP:SAHMAD

NEA/IAI:XVUNOVIC (SUBS)

AGRICULTURE:RMCDONALD (INFO)

COMMERCE:BMARSH (INFO)

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TREASURY:AGAULT (INFO)

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TO AMEMBASSY TEL AVIV

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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: ETRD, IS

SUBJECT: GSP: AUGUST 11, CONVERSATION WITH ECONOMIC
COUNSELOR RAFF

REFS: A. TEL AVIV 5232, B. TEL AVIV 5168, C. STATE 186204

1. ISRAELI ECON COUNSELOR RAFF CALLED DEPTOFF (MORRISON)
ON AUGUST 11 TO SAY HE HAD RECEIVED CABLE INSTRUCTIONS IN
ANSWER TO HIS INQUIRY TO TEL AVIV FOLLOWING AUGUST 4
MEETING WITH EB/OT/GCP DIVISION CHIEF SHARON AHMAD. RAFF'S
ACCOUNT OF GOI POSITION DID NOT DIFFER FROM EMBASSY'S
REPORT (REF B). RAFF DID MAKE CLEAR THAT 25 PERCENT
MARKET SHARE CRITERION FOR U.S. EXPORT OF 8 DIGIT TARIFF
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ITEMS (UNDER PARA 2 OF TEXT OF DRAFT NOTE) REFERRED TO

ISRAEL'S PROPOSAL WHICH WAS MADE AND DROPPED DURING
JUNE 24-27 WASHINGTON CONSULTATIONS. GOI DOES NOT INSIST
ON ANY SUCH CRITERION UNLESS DOLLAR LEVEL OF TRADE
CRITERION IS LOWERED TO 300,000--IN WHICH CASE GOI WOULD
INSIST UPON INCLUSION OF 35 PERCENT MARKET SHARE CRITERION.

2. RAFF NOTED THAT ISRAELI EMBASSY PREOCCUPIED THIS WEEK
WITH VISITS OF GOI OFFICIALS AND ASKED IF MEETING TO
CONVEY FORMAL GOI RESPONSE TO MRS. AHMAD COULD BE PUT OFF
UNTIL NEXT WEEK. DEPTOFF REPLIED THAT THIS WOULD BE
USEFUL FROM U.S. POINT OF VIEW IN TERMS OF ALLOWING TIME FOR
INTERAGENCY DISCUSSION OF SUBSTANCE OF GOI POSITION AS

CONVEYED BY PHONE BY RAFF AND AS PREVIOUSLY RECEIVED VIA
EMBASSY'S CABLE REPORT.

3. EMBASSY WILL BE INFORMED OF OUTCOME OF INTERAGENCY
DISCUSSIONS. SISCO

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